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DEVICE FOR SEIZING OF FLAT MATERIAL ON A TRANSPORTING SURFACE

Transmitte Berewith is a Response to Office Action Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established. []

Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.

[] No fee for additional claims is required.

[X] A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

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 - [] Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (in duplicate)
 - [X] Other: IDS with PTO-1449 and Copies of cited References
- [X] Check(s) in the amount of \$282.00 is/are attached to cover:
 - [X] Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
 - [] Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 - [X] Other: IDS Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p)
- ે≰] The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
 - Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by [X] check submitted herewith.
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 - Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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